

## STILLWATER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

**Notice:** These minutes reflect the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners. The official minutes are on file with the Clerk and Recorder (MCA 7-4-2611(2)(b)).

### REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 23, 2016

- Present:** Commissioners Dennis Shupak, Chair; Maureen Davey and Gerald W. Dell, Members; and Lori Dobitz, Administrative Assistant. Others Present: Joe Morse, Finance Specialist; Mark Crago, Commissioner Candidate; Scott Waltner, Solid Waste Supervisor; Randy Werdal, Road and Bridge Foreman; Jerry Friend, Treasurer; Mark Schreiner, Road and Bridge Superintendent; Rick Hanners, Stillwater County News; Coralee Hicks, citizen; and Carol Arkell, Fire Warden.
- Open Meeting:** Commissioner Shupak opened the meeting at 9:00 am with the pledge to the flag.
- Minutes Approval:** Commissioner Dell **MOVED** to approve the minutes of June 7, 2016, as corrected. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
- Special Issues:**
1. Stillwater River Road Rockslide: Commissioner Dell received an email from Shannon and Wilson that the bid package is being complied and is about three-quarters done.
  2. 2016 Fire Season - Carol Arkell gave a brief summary of the fires of the past week. She is recommending remaining in Stage I Fire Restrictions at this time. The Commissioners concurred.
- Bid Opening:** Joe Morse opened and read the bid as advertised in the Stillwater County News for the Solid Waste surplus collection site building from Gina and Ron Olson in the amount of \$120.00 Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to take the bid under advisement. Commissioner Dell **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
- Regular Business:**
1. MSU Extension - Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to approve the FY 2017 Extension Service Agreement in the amount of \$64,736.84, with the condition that it matches the final budget . Commissioner Dell **SECONDED**. Commissioner Davey said the final county budget has not been set and that is the reasoning behind her motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Library Board - Commissioner Dell said four applications (one of which was submitted by Commissioner Davey) were submitted to fill a vacancy created by a resignation. He said pursuant to the statutes that govern the Library Board, the governing body of the county may have one of its members serve on that board. Commissioner Davey recused herself from the decision. Commissioner Dell **MOVED** to appoint Commissioner Davey to fill the vacancy on the Library Board. Commissioner Shupak **SECONDED**. Commissioner Dell stated the Commissioner Davey has served on the board in the past but not a full term. Dell stated she is the current liaison from the commission to the library board and is very versed on the running of the board and the statutes that govern the board. Motion passed.
  
3. Columbus Woltermann Memorial Airport - Commissioner Dell read a letter that has been drafted by the County Attorney to the airport board members from the Commission in response to the creation of an Airport Authority. The Commission stated its concerned about the imposition of an additional tax upon the taxpayers and doing so simply by resolution as requested by the airport board. The Commission agreed it is more appropriate to send the question of imposing a mill levy to the people for a vote. If the voters approved the mill levy request, a regional board authority could then be established, the letter stated. Commission Davey **MOVED** to send the letter to the Airport Board. Commissioner Dell **SECONDED**. Commissioner Davey she believes the vote should come before the taxpayers when tax money is being used for this purpose. Commissioner Dell said agreed that it should be presented to the citizens of the county to make their decision with their tax money. **Vote:** Motion passed unanimously.
  
4. Road Department - Mark Schreiner, Road Superintendent, explain the need for a new pick-up to replace an 2006 model with 200,000 miles. Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to approve the purchase request for one 2016 Ford F250 SRW 4x4 Pickup in the amount of \$40,800. Commissioner Dell **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

**File Items:**

1. USDA - Beartooth Ranger District - SRS Title II Funding - Limestone Road Project  
Commissioner Dell **MOVED** to place the file item to file. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comments:**

Commissioner Dell reminded those present of the public hearing on the preliminary budget FY 2016-2017 will be held in at 10:00 am.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Hearing no further business, Commissioner Shupak adjourned the meeting at 9:18 A.M.